

## **Notice of Privacy Breach**

[mailing date]

[name] [address] [city, state zip]

Dear Mr/Ms. [name],

I am writing to inform you about a health information privacy matter.

## What Happened?

During a project to improve mailing addresses for correspondence with Southern California members, an error caused your former address to be temporarily used for one or more mailings to you between October 6 and December 20, 2019. The error was first recognized November 1, 2019 and we began an analysis to identify and correct the source of the problem. Your address was updated in our system on December 20, 2019. Correspondence mailed to your former address may have included appointment reminders, care reminders, surveys, referral letters, and Explanations of Benefits.

### What Information Was Involved?

The information in the mailings included demographic information, such as your first and last name and former address and may have included medical information such as diagnosis or medication, billing information, and health insurance information. Your Social Security number and any credit card information were <u>not</u> included in the mailings. While we believe the risk is limited, there is a possibility that the information could be used inappropriately or further disclosed.

## What We Are Doing:

After the error was discovered, we conducted an investigation, created a corrective action plan to correct your address, which occurred on December 20, 2019, and are developing training for staff to prevent this kind of error in the future. We have no indication to believe that the information is being used for fraud or other criminal activity. The department that sent you the original mail has re-sent it to you or will re-send it if determined necessary.

### What You Can Do:

As always, we recommend that you review your health statements for accuracy and let us know if something does not look right.

Kaiser Permanente respects your right to file a complaint. If you have any questions, concerns or wish to file a complaint with us, please contact us at 1-800-464-4000, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed holidays). For TTY, call 711.



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If you are concerned about identity theft and would like more information on ways to protect yourself, visit the Federal Trade Commission's Identity Theft website at <a href="https://www.ftc.gov/idtheft">www.ftc.gov/idtheft</a>.

On behalf of Kaiser Permanente, we offer our sincerest apology that this unfortunate incident occurred. We assure you that safeguarding your information is one of our highest priorities.

Sincerely,

#### **Sue Preston**

Vice President and Ethics & Compliance Officer

**Kaiser Permanente** 

Southern California



Kaiser Permanente does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, cultural background, ancestry, religion, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, marital status, physical or mental disability, source of payment, genetic information, citizenship, primary language, or immigration status.

Language assistance services are available from our Member Services Contact Center 24 hours a day, seven days a week (except closed holidays). Interpreter services, including sign language, are available at no cost to you during all hours of operation. We can also provide you, your family, and friends with any special assistance needed to access our facilities and services. In addition, you may request health plan materials translated in your language, and may also request these materials in large text or in other formats to accommodate your needs. For more information, call **1-800-464-4000** (TTY users call **711**).

A grievance is any expression of dissatisfaction expressed by you or your authorized representative through the grievance process. A grievance includes a complaint or an appeal. For example, if you believe that we have discriminated against you, you can file a grievance. Please refer to your *Evidence of Coverage* or *Certificate of Insurance* or speak with a Member Services representative for the dispute resolution options that apply to you. This is especially important if you are a Medicare, MediCal, MRMIP, MediCal Access, FEHBP, or CalPERS member because you have different dispute resolution options available.

You may submit a grievance in the following ways:

- By completing a Complaint or Benefit Claim/Request form at a Member Services office located at a Plan Facility (please refer to Your Guidebook for addresses)
- By mailing your written grievance to a Member Services office at a Plan Facility (please refer to Your Guidebook for addresses)
- By calling our Member Service Contact Center toll free at 1-800-464-4000 (TTY users call 711)
- · By completing the grievance form on our website at kp.org

Please call our Member Service Contact Center if you need help submitting a grievance.

The Kaiser Permanente Civil Rights Coordinator will be notified of all grievances related to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. You may also contact the Kaiser Permanente Civil Rights Coordinator directly at One Kaiser Plaza, 12th Floor, Suite 1223, Oakland, CA 94612.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <a href="https://ocr/portal/lobby.jsf">ocr/portal/lobby.jsf</a>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <a href="https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html">www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html</a>.

# Language Assistance Services

**English**: Language assistance is available at no cost to you, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can request interpreter services, materials translated into your language, or in alternative formats. Just call us at **1-800-464-4000**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed holidays). TTY users call **711**.

Arabic: خدمات الترجمة الفورية متوفرة لك مجانًا على مدار الساعة كافة أيام الأسبوع. بإمكانك طلب خدمة الترجمة الفورية أو ترجمة وثائق للغتك أو لصيغ أخرى. ما عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على الرقم 1000-464-4000 على مدار الساعة كافة أيام الأسبوع (مغلق أيام العطلات). لمستخدمي خدمة الهاتف النصبي يرجى الاتصال على الرقم (711).

Armenian: Ձեզ կարող է անվձար օգնություն տրամադրվել լեզվի հարցում` օրը 24 ժամ, շաբաթը 7 օր։ Դուք կարող եք պահանջել բանավոր թարգմանչի ծառայություններ, Ձեր լեզվով թարգմանված կամ այլընտրանքային ձևաչափով պատրաստված նյութեր։ Պարզապես զանգահարեք մեզ` 1-800-464-4000 հեռախոսահամարով` օրը 24 ժամ` շաբաթը 7 օր (տոն օրերին փակ է)։ TTY-ից օգտվողները պետք է զանգահարեն 711։



Chinese: 您每週7天,每天24小時均可獲得免費語言協助。您可以申請口譯服務、要求將資料翻譯成您所用語言或轉換為其他格式。我們每週7天,每天24小時均歡迎您打電話 1-800-757-7585 前來聯絡(節假日 休息)。聽障及語障專線 (TTY) 使用者請撥 711。

Farsi: خدمات زبانی در 24 ساعت شبانروز و 7 روز هفته بدون اخذ هزینه در اختیار شما است. شما می توانید برای خدمات مترجم شفاهی، ترجمه جزوات به زبان شما و یا به صورتهای دیگر درخواست کنید. کافیست در 24 ساعت شبانروز و 7 روز هفته (به استثنای روزهای تعطیل) با ما به شماره 4000-464-800-1 تماس بگیرید. کاربران TTY با شماره 711 تماس بگیرند.

Hindi: बिना किसी लागत के दुभाषिया सेवाएँ, दिन के 24 घंटे, सप्ताह के सातों दिन उपलब्ध हैं। आप एक दुभाषिये की सेवाओं के लिए, बिना किसी लागत के सामग्रियों को अपनी भाषा में अनुवाद करवाने के लिए, या वैकल्पिक प्रारूपों के लिए अनुरोध कर सकते हैं। बस केवल हमें 1-800-464-4000 पर, दिन के 24 घंटे, सप्ताह के सातों दिन (छुट्टियों वाले दिन बंद रहता है) कॉल करें। TTY उपयोगकर्ता 711 पर कॉल करें।

**Hmong:** Muajkwc pab txhais lus pub dawb rau koj,

24 teev ib hnub twg, 7 hnub ib lim tiam twg..Koj thov tau cov kev pab txhais lus, muab cov ntaub ntawv txhais ua koj hom lus, los yog ua lwm hom.Tsuas hu rau **1-800-464-4000**, 24 teev ib hnub twg, 7 hnub ib lim tiam twg (cov hnub caiv kaw). Cov neeg siv TTY hu **711**.

Japanese: 当院では、言語支援を無料で、年中無休、終日ご利用いただけます。通訳サービス、日本語に翻訳された資料、あるいは資料を別の書式でも依頼できます。お気軽に 1-800-464-4000 までお電話ください (祭日を除き年中無休)。TTY ユーザーは 711 にお電話ください。

Khmer: ជំនួយភាសា គឺមានឥតអស់ថ្លៃដល់អ្នកឡើយ 24 ម៉ោងមួយថ្ងៃ 7 ថ្ងៃមួយអាទិត្យ។ អ្នកអាចស្នើសុំសេវាអ្នកបកប្រែ សំភារៈដែលបានបកប្រែទៅជាភាសាខ្មែរ ឬជាទំរង់ធ្វឹងទៀត។ គ្រាន់តែទូរស័ព្ទមកយើង តាមលេខ **1-800-464-4000** បាន 24 ម៉ោងមួយថ្ងៃ 7 ថ្ងៃមួយអាទិត្យ (បិទថ្ងៃបុណ្យ)។ អ្នកប្រើ TTY ហៅលេខ **7**11។

Korean: 요일 및 시간에 관계없이 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 귀하는 통역 서비스, 귀하의 언어로 번역된 자료 또는 대체 형식의 자료를 요청할 수 있습니다. 요일 및 시간에 관계없이 1-800-464-4000 번으로 전화하십시오 (공휴일 휴무), TTY 사용자 번호 711.

Navajo: Saad bee áká'a'ayeed náhóló t'áá jiik'é, naadiin doo bibąa' díí' ahéé'iikeed tsosts'id yiskáají damoo ná'ádleehjí. Atah halne'é áká'adoolwołígíí jókí, t'áadoo le'é t'áá hóhazaadjí hadilyaa'go, éí doodaii' nááná lá ał'ąa ádaat'ehígíí bee hádadilyaa'go. Kojí hodiilnih 1-800-464-4000, naadiin doo bibąa' díí' ahéé'iikeed tsosts'id yiskáají damoo ná'ádleehjí ÍDahodiyin biniiyé e'e'aahgo éí da'deelkaalÓ. TTY chodeeyoolínígíí kojí hodiilnih 711

Punjabi: ਬਿਨਾਂ ਕਿਸੀ ਲਾਗਤ ਦੇ, ਦਿਨ ਦੇ 24 ਘੰਟੇ, ਹਫਤੇ ਦੇ 7 ਦਿਨ, ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੈ। ਤੁਸੀਂ ਇੱਕ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਦੀ ਮਦਦ ਲਈ, ਸਮੱਗਰੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ, ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੱਖ ਫਾਰਮੈਟ ਵਿੱਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਬਸ ਸਿਰਫ਼ ਸਾਨੂੰ 1-800-464-4000 ਤੇ, ਦਿਨ ਦੇ 24 ਘੰਟੇ, ਹਫ਼ਤੇ ਦੇ 7 ਦਿਨ (ਛੱਟੀਆਂ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਬੰਦ ਰਹਿੰਦਾ ਹੈ) ਫ਼ੋਨ ਕਰੋ। TTY ਦਾ ਉਪਯੋਗ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲੇ 711 'ਤੇ ਫ਼ੋਨ ਕਰਨ।

Russian: Мы бесплатно обеспечиваем Вас услугами перевода 24 часа в сутки, 7 дней в неделю. Вы можете воспользоваться помощью устного переводчика, запросить перевод материалов на свой язык или запросить их в одном из альтернативных форматов. Просто позвоните нам по телефону 1-800-464-4000, который доступен 24 часа в сутки, 7 дней в неделю (кроме праздничных дней). Пользователи линии ТТҮ могут звонить по номеру 711.

Spanish: Contamos con asistencia de idiomas sin costo alguno para usted 24 horas al día, 7 días a la semana. Puede solicitar los servicios de un intérprete, que los materiales se traduzcan a su idioma o en formatos alternativos. Solo llame al **1-800-788-0616**, 24 horas al día, 7 días a la semana (cerrado los días festivos). Los usuarios de TTY, deben llamar al **711**.

**Tagalog:** May magagamit na tulong sa wika nang wala kang babayaran, 24 na oras bawat araw, 7 araw bawat linggo. Maaari kang humingi ng mga serbisyo ng tagasalin sa wika, mga babasahin na isinalin sa iyong wika o sa mga alternatibong format. Tawagan lamang kami sa **1-800-464-4000**, 24 na oras bawat araw, 7 araw bawat linggo (sarado sa mga pista opisyal). Ang mga gumagamit ng TTY ay maaaring tumawag sa **711**.

#### Thai: เรามีบริการล่ามฟรีสำหรับคุณตลอด 24 ชั่วโมง

้ทุกวันตลอดชั่วโมงทำการของเราคุณสามารถขอให้ล่ามช่วยตอบคำถามของคุณที่เกี่ยวกับความคุ้มครองการดูแลสุขภาพของเราและคุณยั งสามารถขอให้มีการแปลเอกสารเป็นภาษาที่คุณใช้ได้โดยไม่มีการคิดค่าบริการเพียงโทรหาเราที่หมายเลข 1-800-464-4000 ตลอด 24 ชั่วโมงทุกวัน (ปิดให้บริการในวันหยุดราชการ) ผู้ใช้ TTYโปรดโทรไปที่ 711

Vietnamese: Dịch vụ thông dịch được cung cấp miễn phí cho quý vị 24 giờ mỗi ngày, 7 ngày trong tuần. Quý vị có thể yêu cầu dịch vụ thông dịch, tài liệu phiên dịch ra ngôn ngữ của quý vị hoặc tài liệu bằng nhiều hình thức khác. Quý vị chỉ cần gọi cho chúng tôi tại số 1-800-464-4000, 24 giờ mỗi ngày, 7 ngày trong tuần (trừ các ngày lễ). Người dùng TTY xin gọi 711